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But we can, therefore we are pleased to inform the public that a large consignment of Turkeys is expected by to-night's boat. Kindly place your orders early, so as to ensure prompt delivery.

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If You

Have not inspected our show window you have not seen the choicest and most elegant assortment of

XMAS NOVELTIES,

In Perfumes, Toilet Articles, etc., ever shown here.

What more dainty and appropriate gift than a bottle of perfume?

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SEE OUR 15c WALL PAPERs. Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas.

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PERSONAL—The recipient of a Christmas gift will prize his book more if his name is neatly lettered in gold thereon. You should know that this pleasure costs but 25c., and the neatest work in this line is done by Phil. R. Smith, 32 Langley st. de21-1w

Sun Life Assurance Co.,
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Policies non-forfeitable and incontestable. Largest profits to policy holders. Money to loan on business blocks, Improved farms and high class residential property.

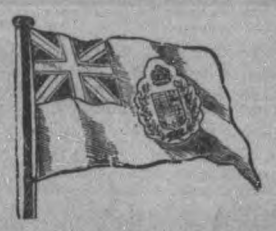
A. H. HARMAN & CO.
Agents for Victoria and district,
30 Broad street, Victoria.

Royal Provincial Jubilee Hospital.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

The usual Christmas donations of all kinds will be thankfully received at the Hospital, or if intending donors will kindly drop a postal card to Mr. Robert Jenkinson, the House Steward, he will send to any address named and gladly take charge of any gifts. de21-td

THE CAMPAIGN!



A joint meeting of the Executive Committees of the Liberal Association and the Young Men's Liberal Club and all active supporters of Mr. Templeman will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at Central Committee Room, 42 Broad Street.

Business: CAMPAIGN ORGANIZATION

MEXICO HAS LOTS OF LUCK.

Millions of Foreign Capital Being Invested There.

City of Mexico, Dec. 20.—The most important deals which have ben made in Mexico for many years are now being made. A. C. Butler, of South Africa, arived a few days ago with a letter of credit to the amount of $15,000,000 from Barney Barnato, Cecil Rhodes and the Rohtschilds. He was given a cordial reception by President Diaz and the result of his visit is the investment of several million dollars in the drainage tunnel, which the government has under way, and in the city water works. Mr. Butler has also taken an option on the street railway system for $7,000,000. This includes not only the entire street car service, not only of the city, but of the federal district. The same parties are attempting to buy up the copper properties in the country, and it is expected before the deal is closed there will be several millions more of Kaffir money invested.

It Was a Crush

at Russell's Wonderful Bargain Store opposite the Iron Church on Douglas street, all yesterday afternoon and evening. Hundreds of people sought admission in vain. They will keep open every night until 10 o'clock to accommodate the crowds of purchasers.

—Xmas gifts, wedding presents, New Year's gifts, at Weiler Bros.; the best and largest stock in the city to choose from

NO CABINET MINISTER!!!

Government Members Concede That a Controller Cannot be a Cabinet Minister.

Dr. Bourinot Puts the Idea Down as Unconstitutional and Highly Improper.

Premier Bowell Gets His Press to Do the Dirty Work of Backing Down.

Mr. Laurier, in Good Company, is Preaching Conciliation and no Coercion.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—The members of the government have conceded now that it is impossible for a controller to be a cabinet minister. Dr. Bourinot, the highest constitutional authority in Canada, has given his opinion that it is unconstitutional and utterly impossible to give a controller a cabinet seat, and now the premier has caused his reptile press in the far west to say that probably, and only probably, a bill will be introduced next session abolishing the portfolio of trade and commerce and restoring the customs and inland revenue to their old positions.

Stories of that kind are not published except within six days' travel of Ottawa, but such a bill would only come into force, even if passed, after the parliamentary term had expired, and the general elections would be on.

To-day's trade figures in the official Gazette show that the exports have declined during the last month about one million and a half dollars over the same figures of November last year, and last year's figures were very low. So much for trade restriction.

If British Columbia wants cabinet representation, it will be Mr. Laurier who will have to give it. Whatever the bye-election may do, Mr. Laurier's return at the general election is certain.

The Herald, Montreal, has a leading article on cheap labor in reference to the story that controllers can be cabinet ministers. It says: "As for Col. Prior, nobody expected him to take a stand or anything. A small matter, like doing, fo $5000 a year, the work for which Mr. Costigan used to get $7000, would not trouble him at all. A Chinaman even would object to take $5000 for the same work which his companion got $7000."

Mr. Laurier is preaching the doctrine of conciliation and no coercion before the Irish electors of Montreal Centre and the French-Canadians of Jacques Cartier. He is supported by Hon. Mr. Ross, of the Ontario government; Hon. Mr. Fielding, premier of Nova Scotia, and Hon. Mr. Emerson, of the New Brunswick government. If possible, Hon. Mr. Peters, premier of Prince Edward Island, will join the Liberal forces.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—A mass meeting of Orangemen, called by the county lodge, was held last evening to endorse the course taken by Clarke Wallace. About one thousand attended, all evidently in sympathy with the ex-controller. The speakers were Mr. Wallace himself, Thos. Crawford, Conservative M.P.P., Major Hughes, M.P., and E. E. Sheppard. All spoke strongly denouncing the attitude of the Ottawa government on the remedial legislation question save Major Sam Hughes. He, while congratulating Mr. Wallace on the pluck shown in resigning, which reflected credit on the order, expressed doubt whether the course of the government, after all, would not prove to be such as would have allowed Mr. Wallace to remain a meeting thereof. Resolutions were passed warmly endorsing Mr. Wallace's course.

ONE AWFUL WAR AVERTED

Jingoists Need Not Shed Blood Over Alaska Boundary.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—William King, the British Commissioner at Ottawa, has returned from Washington City, where he has been for some time comparing notes of the Alaska boundary survey with the United States commissioner. It is said that the two commissioners, after comparing data, have stated they can agree on a joint report. Therefore the governments of Canada and the United States may appoint commissioners to establish the boundary line in question.

CUBA LOST TO SPAIN

General Campos Instructed to Make a Last and Decisive Effort—No More Money.

The Insurgents Moving on Havana, and May Lay Seige to the Capital.

Havana, Dec. 21.—The advance guard of the forces commanded by Maximo Gomez and Antoine Maceo have arrived in the province of Matanzaz without apparently any opposition. Captain-General Martinez de Campos is understood to have concentrated his forces on the other side of the frontier in advance of Colona, but considerable secrecy is maintained as to the disposition of the Spanish troops. Everything seems to point to a pitched battle within the near future. The insurgents have burned a million dollars' worth of sugar cane fields in the districts of Santo Domingo and Sagua La Grande in the province of Santa Clara, on their way to the frontier of the province of Matanzaz. Should the Spanish generals fail to stop the insurgents' advance in Matanzaz there will be nothing to prevent them moving on Havana and laying siege to the capital.

It is beginning to be openly admitted here that the position of the Spanish cause is becoming exceedingly precarious. Doubt and alarm are caused by the state of affairs plainly discernable in Havana, and the signs manifest that the prestige gained by the recent insurgent success has greatly increased their power.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 21.—Advices from Havana state that Campos will make desperate efforts immediately to break the power of the insurgents. He has determined to force the fighting because of urgent orders from Madrid. The cabinet has informed Campos unless decisive victories are won over the insurgents immediately it will be impossible for Spain to procure money to maintain her arms on the islands. The minister of finance has said that the Spanish treasury is empty and the insurgents have made such a showing that it is impossible to float a new loan in any European capital. In view of this Campos is plainly told unless the rebellion is broken shortly Spain had as well withdraw from the island. Campos has therefore resolved upon heroic measures. It is said that he has instructed the Spanish officers to give no quarter to Cubans in arms and to treat noncombatants as mercilessly as in the last revolution. Much excitements prevails in Havana over a report that a great battle would occur near Matanzaz within twenty-four hours. It is stated that 4000 Spaniards under Gen. Pando were facing 5000 Cubans under Maceo, and news of a collision is momentarily expected.

PRAYING FOR PEACE.

The Chaplain of the American Senate Prays Prematurely.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—One of the most eloquent and significant praises in the history of congressional precedure was delivered by the blind chaplain of the senate, Rev. Dr. Milburn, at the opening of the senate proceedings today, when the debate was about to be renewed on the pending Venezuelan question. His earnest invocation against the shedding of blood between the two great English speaking peoples was followed with breathless attention by the crowded galleries and with noticeable attention and respect by the senators. At the close of prayer, on motion of Mr. Mitchell, the senate directed that the invocation be spread at length on the record, an unusual mark of respect. "Forbid," invoked the chaplain, in impressive tones, "that two of the foremost nations of the world, which bear the name of Christians, with one language, one faith, one baptism, one Lord, shall be embroiled in war with all its horrors and barbarisms. Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may be saved from imbruing our hands in each other's blood. Let the spirit of justice and magnanimity prevail among the rulers of both nations, and among the people, kindred people of both lands, so that all differences and difficulties may be amicably and satisfactorily settled, that the Lord's name may be glorified by the establishment of concord, amity and brotherly kindness. Let health, propriety, brotherly kindness and charity pervade all our land and our motherland."

Canadian.

St. Thomas, Dec. 21.—D. A. Urlin and his son George were committed for trial at Dutton an alleged arson case.

Montreal, Dec. 21.—Rev. Father Tremblay, of Pembroke, pleaded guilty before Judge Dugas to an unmentionable crime towards a nine year old boy. The judge said he was a disgrace to the Catholic church, and sentenced him to a whipping and two years in jail.

Nominations took place yesterday for Montreal Centre. Sir Wm. Hingston, Conservative, and James McShane, Liberal, were duly placed in nomination.

Winnipeg, Dec. 21.—John C. Lane was to-day sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretences.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Andrew Jeffrey & Sons, wholesale carriage and hardware dealers, have called a meeting of their creditors. The liabilities are estimated at $40,000, chiefly Montreal firms. The assets will likely be about the same.

—Paper bags and wrapping paper; wholesale price. Johnston's, Douglas street.

SOMETHING FAR AWAY

War Possibilities Side-Tracked by the Financial Panic in American Stocks.

Leading London Bankers Think There is Nothing to Fear Just Now.

Press Comments on the Message—The Venezuelan Commission Bill Signed.

London, Dec. 21.—Public attention here is almost entirely diverted from the political to the financial aspect of the Venezuelan situation. The rumor circulated here that the Rothschilds had decided to immediately withdraw £5,000,000 from America is attracting much attention, but the Rothschilds have informed the Associated Press that this report, as well as the report of the collapse of negotiations for a United States loan, is utterly untrue. No negotiations are pending regarding a loan, and no withdrawals of gold from the United States have been ordered on account of the Rothschilds.

American securities were largely dealt in on the street after the close of the stock exchange, and a beter tendency was noticed. Official finish prices were fully maintained on more reassuring reports from New York.

A representative of the Associated Press called at Morgan, Brown & Shipley's, Morton & Rose's and a number of other leading bankers, especially those connected with the United States. They generally regarded the situation as being more favorable. They said: "It seems that the political question is now laid at rest by the authorization of the appointment of a commission of sensible men who will have time to make their influence felt. Our telegrams show no notices of withdrawals for hoarding. We are satisfied that nothing serious will come of it in the end. We have indications that the really serious business men of America are anxious to undo the harm the jingoes have done."

The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon devotes an article to attempt to show that Mr. Cleveland committed a big blunder and has done America the greatest injury. During the course of this article, the Gazette says: "We think his expression 'fatuous financial operations' should have been 'fatuous political operations.' His message is very beautiful, but not of much use to the men who failed yesterday. They were perhaps, more blameless than the reckless men who are at the back of the American statesmen who rebuke them. The commission bill has passed, but it is doubtful if the commission will ever report."

The St. James Gazette remarks: "If a conflict between the two nations commences, then the first round of the struggle between them, so unexpectedly forced by President Cleveland, has not been favorable to his own country. Whatever the future may bring forth, America has already suffered no contemptible part of the loss which might be expected to follow the serious disaster of war."

Washington, Dec. 21.—There was a feverish, excited feeling up in the house when the members assembled today. Hopes of a holiday recess had disappeared and the members were preparing to address themselves earnestly to the task before them. Speaker Reed laid before the house the President's message. He referred to the committe of ways and means, and then announced the membership of the committee of the house.

Although there were many callers at the White House to-day, the President declined to receive any one save three members of his cabinet, Mesrs. Olney, Carlisle and Herbert, each of whom spent some time with the President. There is every indication that the President will proceed immediately to the selection of the commission to locate the Venezuelan boundary line as soon as the act has received his signature. In view of the great importance of the work to be discharged by this commission, it is said that the President will endeavor to secure the services of men of the highest character and ability. None of the names he has in mind have been officially mentioned, nor will they be until the President has been notified by the persons selected of their acceptance of the commissionership.

The President signed the act this afternoon.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Barnet Laurance the only Venezuelan consul in Consul in Canada, says of the dispute between his country and Great Britain regarding the boundary lines, and the commission bill passed by the United States senate, that the only way by which the real frontier can be found is by searching the archives of Madrid and Hague. There is nothing in Venezuela to throw any light on the subject. If Mr. Cleveland really wants the facts of the case a friendly request to the government at Madrid for permission to search the archives would do more towards getting the correct information than anything else.

—Good digestion means good appetite, but what's the use without good teeth—Use Odoroma for your teeth; it not only prevents decay, but preserves them permanently.

AMERICAN CURRENCY

President Cleveland's Message to Congress on the State of the Finances.

He Asks the Legislature to Take Action to Restore Public Confidence.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Cleveland's third message to Congress was delivered yesterday, and is as follows:—In my last annual message the evils of our present financial system were plainly pointed out and the causes and means of the depletion of government gold were explained. It was therein stated that after all the efforts that had been made by the executive branch of the government to protect our gold reserve, by the issuance of bonds amounting to more than $162,000,000, such reserve then amounted to little more than $79,000,000; that $16,000,000 had been withdrawn from such reserve during the month next previous to the date of that message, and that quite large withdrawals for shipment in the immediate future were predicted. The contingency then feared has reached us and the withdrawals of gold since the communication referred to, and others that appear inevitable, threaten such a depletion in our government gold reserve as brings us face to face with the necessity of further action for its protection. This condition is intensified by the prevalence in certain quarters of sudden and unusual apprehension and timidity in business circles. We are in the midst of another season of perplexity, caused by our dangerous and fatuous financial operations. These may be expected to occur with certainty as long as there is no amendment to our financial system. In this particular instance, our predicament is all influenced by a recent insistance upon the position we should occupy in our relations to certain questions, concerning our foreign policy, this furnishes a signal for impressive warning that even the patriotic sentiment of our people is not an adequate substitute for a sound financial policy.

Of course there can be no doubt in any thoughtful mind as to the complete solvency of our nation, nor can there be any just apprehension that the American people will be satisfied with less than an honest payment of public obligations in the recognized money of the world. We should not overlook the fact, however, that aroused fear is unreasoning and must be taken into account in all efforts to avert public loss and the sacrifice of our people's interest. The real and sensible cure for our recurring troubles can only be effected by a complete change in our financial scheme. Pending that the executive branch of the government will not relax its efforts nor abandon its determination to use every means within its reach to maintain before the world American credit, nor will there be any hesitation in exhibiting its influence in our country and the constant patriotism of our people.

In view, however, of the peculiar situation now confronting us, I have ventured to herein express the earnest hope that the congress, in default of the inauguration of a better system of finance, will not take a recess from its labors before it has by legislative enactment of declaration done something, not only to remind those aprehensive among our people that the resources of this government and a scrupulous regard for honest dealing afford a sure guarantee of unquestioned safety and soundness, but to reassure the world that with these factors, and the patriotism of our citizens, the ability and determination of our nation to meet in any circumstances every obligation it incurs do not admit of question.

I ask at the hands of congress such prompt aid, as it alone has the power to prevent, in a time of fear and apprehension, any sacrifice of the people's interests, and the public funds; or the impairment of our public credit, in an effort by executive action to relieve the dangers of the present emergency.

(Signed.) GROVER CLEVELAND.

SENTENCED TO HANG.

The Boy Murderer Montgomery to Pay the Dread Penalty.

Albany, Ore., Dec. 21.—Yesterday Lloyd Montgomery, the murderer of his father and mother and Daniel B. McKercher, was brought into court, it being the time fixed for his sentence. Counsel for the defence filed the usual motion for a new trial, which was, of course, denied. The court then passed the sentence of death. Those who expected that the murderer would make a statement were disappointed, for not a word was spoken by him. His attorneys say he was too nervous to-day to say anything, but they think he will before the day for the execution, make an open confession. The warrant for the execution delivered by the court to the sheriff fixes January 31, 1896, as the date for the execution.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

Toys Half Price

At Russell's Wonderful Bargain Store opposite the Iron Church.

—Diamond rings—15 karat diamond rings; all sizes and patterns, $4, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. •

—A good gift, shaving sets (our own fitting), guaranteed satisfactory, at Fox's, 78 Government street. •

—Coal hods at Cheapside. •

A BAD STATE OF AFFAIRS.

Public Officials of Guthrie, O. T., Accused of Serious Crimes.

Guthrie, O.T., Dec. 21.—A sensation has been caused by the making public of the fact that the Payne county grand jury nearly a week ago found indictments against Sheriff Atherton, for allowing prisoners to escape; Probate Judge Basil for falsifying records; ex-Police Judge White for malfeasance in office and Henry E. Alford, ex-President and Amos Eving, ex-treasurer of the Agricultural college, both for embezzlement of government funds. Other indictments still more sensational are kept back and lively times are looked for.

LAW'S SLOW PROCESS.

An Innocent Man Acquitted After a Three Years' Fight.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—M. D. Howell, a wealthy Stockton citizen, was last night acquitted of the charge of counterfeiting. Howell, who was one of the most prominent citizens of Stockton, was arrested about three years ago by secret service officials, who charged him with being the leader of a band of counterfeiters. Bogus money was found on him and several men testified that Howell was implicated. This was Howell's third trial, juries twice before having disagreed. It is stated that Howell has spent over $100,000 in his defense.

SALISBURY'S NEW STATEMENT.

Shortly to be Issued May Change Aspect of Affairs.

London, Dec. 21.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the chancellor of the exchequer, made an address last night to a Conservative banquet in Bristol, which contained an important suggestion of the probable next step to be taken by the British government in the Venezuelan controversy, namely the issuance of a statement by Lord Salisbury, which Sir Michael intimated might put a new phase on affairs. The chancellor of the exchequer warned his hearers against exaggerating the gravity of the Venezuelan trouble. Some persons, he went on, however, talk of the impossibility of war with the United States and Great Britain because of the ties of kinship between the two nations. Nothing was impossible, he said, which had already occurred, and when kinsmen unfortunately differed, sometimes they became very bitter enemies. But there was assurance, he said, in the fact that he did not believe the people of either side of the Atlantic desired war. He thought that when the true statement which Lord Salisbury had ably prepared, was shortly published, the result would be happy, honorable and peaceful to both sides.

BOTH THE MEN AND THE SHIPS

In Uncle Sam's Navy Are Giving the Department a Little Trouble.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Lieutenant Albert Buhner is to be relieved of the command of the revenue cutter Bear, which he held pending the investigation into the charges made against Captain Michael Healy. Lieut. Frank Tuttle, now at Port Townsend, has received instructions to relieve Lieut. Buhner, who will be placed on waiting orders while the recent charges made against him are being looked into. It is said in naval circles that the treasury department is so incensed at the condition of affairs on the Bear that there will be a general shifting of officers and men to the other cutters.

The cruiser Charleston is lying temporarily disabled at Nagasaki, Japan. Both pistons of the engine are broken, and the ship for several weeks was powerless to move. The vessel will be detained four months on the Asiatic station. It is understood in naval circles that the vessels of the Asiatic squadron will be ordered to report at San Francisco, and that the message has already been forwarded from Washington City. The Charleston broke one of her pistons on the run to Yokohama. Another one was made here after a delay and sent over on the Gaelic. Now an order has been received for a second one, and it will require a number of months to cast it and transport it to Japan. It is thought that if the government orders its Asiatic squadron home the Charleston will be brought to Hawaii with one engine and held there until the piston is shipped.

THE NEW ENGLISH PENNY.

Abandonment of the Old Face With the Ship and Lighthouse.

Ever since the bronze coinage was issued in England its design has remained the same. For thirty-five years the youthful bust has been reproduced on each successive coinage, although the Queen continued to grow old. In the meantime there have been two changes in the coins struck in the nobler metals. That adopted in the jubilee year, which, on account of its ugliness was discarded in 1893, and that which superseded it, with a much more beautiful obverse. It is this obverse that has been adopted on the penny, making the obverses on all the coins of Great Britain the same in design. The reverse is much the same as that of the old penny, except that the figure Britannia is much more spirited in execution, and the ship and lighthouse in the distance are wanting, which were ever present on the old to remind the true Briton that Britannia still rules the waves.

—Major C. T. Picton is manager of the State hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy, Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver. •

—A toilet requisite and a toilet ornament—O-d-o-r-o-m-a.

—Men's Mackintosh coats $12. Gilmore & McCandless. •

YESTERDAY'S PANIC

Was Greater Than the Great Baring Scare in Point of Interest.

Bradstreet's Review of the Week's Business—Bank Clearings in the Dominion.

New York, Dec. 21.—Bradstreet's says: The general business situation has been affected by the precipitation of possible complications with Great Britain. The first to feel this are the stock market prices of cotton and of wheat, the influence of which is felt among business houses in many different lines. Representatives of Bradstreet's at twenty-three cities interviewed many leading manufacturers and merchants Thursday as to the effect, present or prospective, on trade of the international situation consequent on the President's message, the message itself, and the probability of actual hostilities. The interviews fairly represent the sentiment of many of the most important financial, industrial and commercial houses of the country. In no instance, so far as the interviews extend, is war considered the probable outcome. So far as the effect on business is concerned, eastern and western manufacturing centres, and many of the largest western and northwestern and northwestern distributing distributing points report none is felt whatever. Prices generally show no more encouraging tendency than heretofore. Higher quotations are recorded for wheat, flour, oats and coffee, a better demand for oats probably explains one, but the increase in the price of flour is nominal. Practically unchanged quotations are made for pork, lard and for sugar, as well as for lumber and coal, although the usual check to building operations at this season tends to weaken prices of lumber. In addition to reductions on the price of crude iron, steel and various forms of the same, there are reactions also in the prices of petroleum, of cotton, and of print cloths, wheat and of Indian corn. The total export of wheat, flour included, from both coasts of the United States this week amount to 2,056,000 bushels, compared with 2,458,000 bushels last week; 3,554,000 bushels in the week one year ago; 2,605,000 bushels in the week two years ago, and as contrasted with 4,247,000 bushels in the third week of December, 1892. Exports of wheat from the Pacific coast show a deep decline as compared with preceding weeks.

The bank clearings for the Dominion of Canada were: Montreal, $11,983,976; increase, 0.8; Toronto, $7,605,779, increase, 20.0; Halifax, $1,400,377, increase, 23.08; Winnipeg, $1,453,703, increase, 22.8; Hamilton, $775,570, increase, 20.3; totals, $23,204,405, increase, 9.9.

In a general way, the average Wall street habitue was prepared, after the close of business yesterday, for probable depression in the stock market to-day, on account of the Venezuelan message episode, and the renewed heavy outward movement of gold. The actual developments of the day, accordingly, caused a sensation in financial circles that has not been equalled since the Baring panic. In fact, in some particulars, that gloomy event was overshadowed in point of interest. The first shock came in the shape of a panicky market in American securities in London, with declines extending to 5 per cent. British concols also came lower. The successive cables reported great excitement at that centre and wholesale liquidation of the international stocks at rapidly receding figures. Before the opening here, it was definitely stated by gold shipping houses that $2,400,000 of the $5,000,000 that was expected to go out to-morrow would be arranged for to-day.

The combined influence of the developments noted was reflected in a wild opening in the local stock and bond market. Trading was very heavy from the outset and in the initial dealings breaks occurred, extending to 4½ per cent. in St. Paul. After a momentary recovery of 1 to 1½ per cent. a fresh outpouring of stocks occurred, which, as in the case of the London selling, reflected chiefly liquidation by scared holders, and prices crumbled right and left. Stop orders were caught in large numbers, and this, of course, accelerated the downward movement. Slight rallies occurred several times during the forenoon, but the continued selling pressure swept them away. The lowest prices, extending to 15 ½ per cent. in lead preferred, were made around noon. A great many declines, material, but less extensive, occurred in other stocks. The volume of business was on a tremendous scale. The dealings in the first half hour registered 141,484 shares, and in the first hour 243,185 shares.

Bradstreet's says: General trade at Montreal shows room for improvement, although the distribution of dry goods there exceeds the total of last year. At Quebec city the usual volume of trade is reported for the season, and for Halifax it is telegraphed that general business is unchanged with a steady demand for holiday goods. Jobbers at Toronto report trade fairly active, but the movement of staples slow. The total volume of bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax amounts to $23,204,000 this week, against $24,888,000 last week and as compared with $21,000,00 in the week a year ago, and with $17,500,000 in the week two years ago. Business failures throughout the Dominion of Canada this week amount to 42 compared with 39 last week, 24 in the week one year ago and 35 in the like week two years ago.

New York, Dec. 20.—The Evening Post's special financial cablegram from London to-day says: A severe panic took place on the stock exchange here to-day. All American securities, shares and bonds alike, are practically unsaleable. The panic to-day is not based so much on politics or the actual war scare, as on the predicted financial crisis in America. Five million dollars more gold are said to be engaged for shipment from New York to-morrow, making $10,000,000 in all, but this is not absolutely confirmed. It is, however, only a question of time when more gold will go. There is a decline in consols, not on investors selling, but on bears also. In Americans, on the contrary, the rush of genuine holders to realize is enormous. The shock received by the tone of the President's message and still more by its acceptance by the house of representatives, is being one of the severest ever experienced here.

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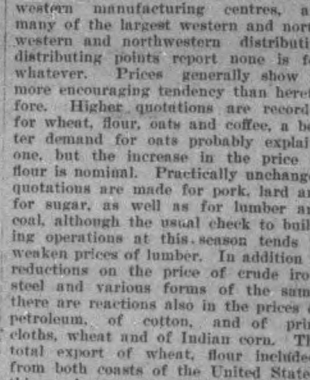

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—A concert will be given in the Metropolitan Methodist church on the evening of New Year's day. The choir has charge of the programme.

—Donations intended for the P. O. Home will be received and delivered free of charge by Messrs. R. Porter & Son, corner of Douglas and Johnson street.

—A matinee performance of "The Four Leaved Clover" by the Juvenile Opera Company was given in the Victoria theatre this afternoon. All the children from the P. O. Home were present.

—A splendid programme has been arranged for to-night's concert in Temperance hall. The Good Templars will hold their annual reception in the same hall on New Year's day, concluding with a concert in the evening.

—Singers, public speakers, actors, auctioneers, teachers, preachers, and all who are liable to overtax and irritate the vocal organs, find, in Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, a safe, certain, and speedy relief. A timely dose of this preparation has prevented many a throat trouble.

—A great many visited the art exhibition to-day and expressed themselves delighted with the magnificent collection of pictures. To-night the drawing for prizes will take place. Tickets for the drawing can be obtained from any of the members of the society or at the door.

—The ladies of the Y. L. I. are making preparations for a leap year dance to be held in the A. O. U. W. hall on the evening of January 8th. The admission will be 50 cents for gentlemen and 25 cents for ladies. Tickets may be had at the door or of any of the members of the Institute.

—"Loyalty" is the subject chosen by the pastor, Rev. Ralph W. Trotter, for the morning service at Calvary Baptist church to-morrow. For the evening the eloquent pastor has chosen for his discourse "The Mantle of Elijah, or the Men of the Hour. A call to the young men of British Columbia to public service."

—At this evening's popular concert of the Y. M. C. A. the following programme will be rendered: Piano duet, the Misses Lovell; vocal solo, Mr. H. Firth; recitation, Miss Strachan; vocal solo, Miss May Wolff; vocal duet, Misses Jones; vocal solo, Mr. J. H. Lang; vocal solo, Miss Amy Wolff; reading, Mr. Jackman; vocal solo, Mr. W. Jones, vocal solo, Mr. Temple.

—Mr. Dennis Jordan having been called to San Francisco in connection with the coal business there, has left the management of the West Wellington mines in the hands of Joshua Holland, of this city, and E. H. Heaps, of Vancouver. Mr. Holland will act as general superintendent of the mines, and goes to Wellington on Monday to take charge. The first carload of the company's coal arrived to-day.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Agnes Porter took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of Mr. W. J. McKay, Cadboro Bay road and later from Christ Church Cathedral. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Canon Beanlands. The pallbearers were: Sir Joseph Trutch, Hon. D. M. Eberts, Hon. D. W. Higgins, Hon. P. O'Reilly, A. W. Jones, A. W. Vowell and J. R. Anderson.

—At last night's meeting of Camp No. 32, Canadian Order of Woodmen, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Consul Commander, N. Shakespeare; re-elected; Adviser Lieutenant, Dr. Lewis Hall; Banker, J. D. Warren, re-elected; Clerk, W. Jackson, re-elected; Escort, H. C. Edwards; Watchman, W. B. Shakespeare; Sentry, W. H. Pennock; Manager, G. F. Langley; Physicians, Drs. F. Hall, E. A. Hall and R. L. Fraser; Delegate to Head Camp, N. Shakespeare; Alternate Delegate to Head Camp, W. Jackson.

—Mr. W. Ward, of Robert Ward & Co., vice-consul for Sweden and Norway, will be pleased to get any information as to the present whereabouts of Gustav Hansen, Carl Gustav Johnson and Edward and Axel Wilson. Hansen was familiarly known as the "Flying Dutchman," and was one of the most daring sealing skippers leaving the harbor. Carl Gustav Johnson, alias Chas. Johnson, was last heard of on March 25, 1894. He was then a hunter on board the Maud S. The two brothers, Edward and Axel Wilson, or Wilhom, lived until 1891 at 75 View street, Victoria.

—Hon. Col. Baker, minister of education, presided at the closing exercises in the high school yesterday afternoon. After reading the results of examinations and the presentation of prizes, Trustees Mrs. Grant, Glover and Lovell and Ven. Archdeacon Scriven gave short addresses. The following are the first fifteen in the second division, whose names were handed in too late yesterday for publication: Dorothy Allison, Alexander Dau, Joseph Blumenthal, Rosemary Reid, Annie Wrigleysworth, Maud Bone, Blanche Couves, G. Sheppard, Ina McFadden, Harry Welsh, Christina Anderson, William Northcott, Alice M. Parsons, Lily Jane Knight, Verna Heisterman and Alfred Herd.

—There was a large attendance at the funeral of the late John Finlayson which took place yesterday. Rev. W. Leslie Clay conducted services at the residence and also at St. Andrew's church, where he was assisted by the Rev. A. B. Winchester. The pallbearers were Senator Macdonald, and Messrs. James Hutcheson, R. B. McMicking, T. M. Henderson, Alexander Wilson, Alexander Munro, Dr. Milne and Robt. Randall.

ANGELA COLLEGE.

The Pupils of This School Dismissed for the Holidays.

Angela College closed yesterday for the Christmas holidays. After the distribution of prizes a delightful musical programme was rendered by the children. Mr. Emil Thielborn, the violinist who has rapidly won public favor in this city, gave one or two selections. The principal, Miss Devereux, and her staff of teachers, were congratulated by those present on the excellent work accomplished during the term. Canon Paddon presented the prizes to the following successful young ladies:

For Midsummer Examination—Seniors—First class, Misses L. Earle and Mabel Walkem; second class, Miss Nellie Earle. Juniors—First class, Miss Hilda Harris and Miss Hilda Monroe; second class, Misses Ethel Bechtel and May Dunsmuir.

Christmas Examination—Seniors—1st class, Misses Lizzie Earle and Mabel Walkem; second class, Miss Ada Tingley; third class, Misses Ethel Earle and Bessie Dunsmuir. Juniors—First class, Misses Violet Vernon and Violet Drake; second class, Misses Gladys Perry, May Dunsmuir and Pauline Tingley.

MISTLETOE BY YULETIDE.

How the Sprig Came to be Connected With Christmas.

The connection of mistletoe with Christmas is a very curious one and far from being a general one. Literature is perhaps mainly responsible for it, in that allusions to a custom, in a great degree purely local, have made a large number of persons interested in the plant. It, moreover, seems to me that the custom of using it in Christmas decorations depends on two considerations first, the evergreen habit, and, secondly, the veneration in which it was held by the Druids. In the orchards of Herefordshire and Worcestershire, in England, and in those in Normandy, apple trees may be seen covered with mistletoe to such an extent that in the winter time, when divested of their natural leaves, they present a mass of green in the leaves of their parasite, says the Philadelphia Press.

The reasons mentioned have no doubt done much to secure for the mistletoe the place which in recent time it held in Christmas festivities, but it is not so universally honored at Yuletide as the holly. In fact, its popularity is purely local, and its use as an ornament, in places where it does not grow, is due rather to an antiquarian sentiment than, to any feeling that its presence at the rejoicings of the seasons is necessary. You may have a merry Christmas without any mistletoe at all, but to the majority of the people a Christmas without a sprig or two of holly would scarcely seem to be Christmas at all. Even the rare old plant, the ivy green, cannot compete with the holly as a necessary part of domestic adornment for the Christmas merry gatherings.

Still, mistletoe has a certain amount of sentiment attached to it, and therefore the mistletoe bough finds a place in the farmhouses, mansions and castles of the districts of England, where it grows, and in the dwellings of the wealthy where it can be purchased, while here a sprig is bought just for the sake of old memories.

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

The Sale of Jeffree's Stock

which was successfully conducted by the firm of J. Davis & Co., was well attended. Mr. Russell, on behalf of the well known firm of C. C. Russell, was the principal purchaser. He will no doubt let the public in on the ground floor for some bargains as soon as he gets the stock sorted and marked.

—An appropriate Xmas present, carving sets and table cutlery (Sheffield make) at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—S. A. Steddart begs to inform his customers that he is not giving up business, although he is still selling eight-day striking clocks for $4 at 68 Yates street.

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—Read Gilmore & McCandless' overcoat talk.

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JOSHUA DAVIES

AUCTIONEER,

Room 7, - Board of Trade Building.

The Daily Times.

MR. HELMCKEN'S STATEMENT.

The Colonist quotes the following from Mr. Templeman's speech accepting the opposition nomination:

"Mr. Templeman did not think he was violating any confidence when he said he had been waited upon by two or three prominent Conservatives to-day and asked whether, if it could be proved to him that Col. Prior had been bona fide given a seat in the cabinet it would make any difference in the contest of the Liberals. Without a moment's hesitation, and without waiting to consult his friends, Mr. Templeman had replied that such proof would probably have a material influence on the situation."

The Colonist then states: "The inference of his statements (that is, the above statements) is directly contrary to the facts." An interview with Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, Q. C., president of the Liberal Conservative Association, then follows, in which a version of one of the conversations or interviews with "prominent Conservatives" is given that on the whole is fairly accurate as to its statement of facts, although somewhat misleading in one or two points.

When Mr. Helmcken called upon Mr. Templeman the latter was not aware that the meeting was the result of a suggestion by a Liberal or by any other person, nor was anything stated by Mr. Helmcken that explained his reason or motive in seeking an expression of opinion from the Opposition candidate. That point, however, is unimportant.

The substance of the conversation, or rather the proof of the fact that Mr. Templeman asked for, was substantially as follows, a memo being made by Mr. Helmcken:

"Wanted to know—That Col. Prior's position is that of a bona fide cabinet minister with portfolio—the head of a department—and that he will become such immediately after his election, and will not have to wait for legislation, which may or may not be acceptable to parliament, before assuming the office."

Mr. Helmcken stated that he believed that Col. Prior was appointed to such a position, and that if it should turn out that he was not a cabinet minister, de facto, Col. Prior would "have nothing to do with it." It was mutually understood that if this point was satisfactorily explained, the result would have an important influence on the answer that Mr. Templeman would give to the opposition meeting to be held that evening; and it was also understood that if additional evidence of the good faith of the government to give British Columbia a bona fide cabinet representative was not forthcoming there would be opposition. A few hours later the following letter was received:

Victoria, Dec. 19.

Dear Mr. Templeman:

Referring to the conversation had with you this morning I cannot see any reason why I should give you any further information than what you may gather from the telegrams sent to Hon. E. G. Prior, M. P., and which have appeared in the Colonist. Yours faithfully,

H. DALLAS HELMCKEN.

The only inference that Mr. Templeman could draw from this letter was that no further information could be given, and as a result his hesitation to declare himself a candidate at once disappeared.

IT MEANS COERCION.

There is little use in discussing what has or has not been done in connection with the Manitoba school question; the eye of the public is upon the proposals for the future. As the case now stands the Manitoba government has given a plain declaration that it cannot see its way clear to make the change in its school system as ordered by the Dominion government, and in this stand it is supported by an overwhelming majority of Manitobans, including many Catholics. The Dominion government here steps in and says that it will therefore make the change which the province refuses to make; that it will ask the Dominion parliament to force on the people of Manitoba legislation to which they are opposed almost in a body. There can be no perhaps or peradventure about this; parliament is called to meet for this special purpose in fulfilment of the pledge given by the government to its Quebec members. Ministers have time and again announced that they will ask parliament to enact this legislation. Controller Clarke Wallace left office because he clearly realized that coercion was the government's policy and because he could not agree with that policy. Col. Prior has accepted office quite as clearly realizing that coercion is decided upon; he has stated that he is fully prepared to support that policy and all that it implies. It is now for the people of Victoria to say whether or not they approve of Col. Prior's stand. His being a member of the government—whether of the cabinet or not—will give all the greater emphasis to their verdict. Then it must be remembered that the Dominion government has no ordinary means of enforcing the legislation it proposes; that can only be done by actual force of arms. Is Col. Prior in favor of proceeding to that extreme? If not, he must be ready to agree that the whole scheme of coercion is to be turned into a farce.

NOT A CABINET MINISTER.

Our dispatches from Ottawa to-day ought to put an end to the false pretences in regard to Col. Prior's position. The authority of Dr. Bourinot will hardly be questioned, even by the Colonist, and his opinion evidently coincides with the opinions of members of the government. Col. Prior cannot be a member of the cabinet while he is a controller. If he is given a portfolio, or if he is re-elected and the act of 1887 is amended so as to restore the inland revenue department to its old status, then he will become a cabinet minister, but not till then. These are very remote contingencies. In fact, as the situation now stands Col. Prior is not at all likely to be re-elected, and if he should happen to secure re-election the legislation spoken of so vaguely would not likely be enacted. The cabinet minister "fake" might as well be dropped. Sir Mackenzie Bowell may be a very strong man, but he cannot do away with an act of parliament at his own will and pleasure.

Controller—An officer or overseer appointed to verify the accounts of other officers.—Wharton.

The James Fisher of Winnipeg, whose statements and opinions re the Manitoba school question are made much of by the Conservative press, is the law partner of John S. Ewart, Q. C., the paid advocate of the minority.

Controller—A kind of cabinet minister who should receive $8000 per year in cash, but who really only gets $5000 in cash the balance being taken out in instalments of titles, gold braid and invitations to be a spectator at cabinet meetings.—Gathered from Colonist.

Controller—A kind of cabinet minister who I explain (truthfully) to the people of Ontario, has no vote in the cabinet, but who (until the election is over) I assure the people of Victoria has "the same VOICE in the affairs of the country as I have myself."—Mackenzie Bowell.

The Province—Coercionists must be getting scarce in Eastern Canada.

Walk up, gentlemen, and witness the latest—the very latest—cabinet trick. The Controller of Customs steps out—the Controller of Inland Revenue steps up—the Colonel of Militia steps in. Now you've got it and now you haven't. Now you see it and now you don't.

Controller Wallace resigned office at $5000 a year rather than coerce Manitoba. The Hon. Col. Prior, rather than lose office at $5000 a year, agrees to coerce Manitoba. This is the situation. Draw your own conclusions; the Col. will draw his salary.

OPPOSITION A DUTY.

To the Editor:—Speaking to a Conservative this morning I was told that "it was a piece of contemptible meanness to oppose Colonel Prior at this time. For the honor and benefit of Victoria and the province we should allow the Colonel to be elected by acclamation."

Now, at first blush that looks all right, but a little thought soon dispels the "honor" and "benefit" theory.

What is Colonel Prior's position—leaving aside all controversy whether he is or is not a cabinet minister? He has accepted a position which was vacated by a man who had too much patriotism to continue to support the government in their nefarious policy toward Manitoba—a policy which is spurned by nine-tenths of the liberty-loving people of the Dominion. Is it an honor for Colonel Prior on this occasion to take a stand contrary to the wishes of the Canadian people?

I thank God that I am not so constructed that I can look upon such an act as an "honor."

An honor! I say that if the people of British Columbia should have allowed Colonel Prior to be elected by acclamation, that instead of doing herself an honor by the act her fair name would be soiled by a deep, lasting and eternal disgrace.

The eyes of the people of the Dominion of Canada are on this occasion turned toward the Pacific province looking for a protest from her people against the reckless policy of the Dominion government in attempting to force upon the people of Manitoba an obnoxious law.

When a solemn protest is going up from the people of the Dominion against the passage of this act; when a principle for which our fathers fought and died is at stake; when a question which, because of the incapacity and perfidy of those misgoverning the country at Ottawa is dragged into a position where, if wise counsel does not prevail, it threatens the dismemberment of the confederation; when, I say, these things occur, one contemptible enough, one so lacking in those sentiments which should be uppermost in the patriots' hearts, steps forward, snaps eagerly at the paltry bait thrown to him, doffs his hat and calmly requests you to do him the honor of approving of his position without dissent! Oppose him! Why, sir, if the opposition party in this city were not a dozen strong; if they were absolutely sure of defeat; I would ask no more proud position than to be allowed a place in their ranks.

The opposition party, at this bye-election, I am proud to say are fighting for a principle which should awaken a responsive call in the breast of every man who has a regard for his country's welfare; who desires to see the triumph of justice, truth and liberty; who thinks of home and province and country.

"God give us men! A time like this demands
Great hearts; strong minds; true faith and willing hands;
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who have opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie;
For while the Tories with their thumb-worn creeds,
Their large professions and their little deeds,
Wrangle in selfish strife, lo! Freedom weeps!
Wrong rules the land and waiting Justice sleeps.

CASSIUS.

—"Odoroma" imparts beauty to the teeth, fragrance to the breath and health to the gums.

—A present—I am selling watches, clocks and jewelry at cost and making you a present of the profits. The reason why does not concern you; come and see the prices at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

Christmas Fruits.

Valencia raisins and currents just arrived from the east; cheap and thoroughly clean, at Johns Bros., 259 Douglas street.

Toys Half Price

Drums, guns, swords, pistols, cannons, knives and gun powder at Russell's.

—Come and see the wire jewelry, made while you wait. Brooches, bracelets, watch chains, pins and goods of all descriptions at 68 Yates street.

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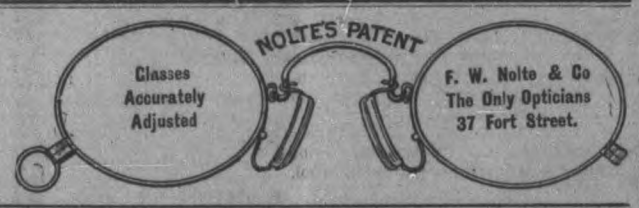

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Thirty Hour 6 inch dial clocks $2.50, Long Alarm Nickle clock with large bell underneath, so that no dust can get in, $1.75; two years' guarantee. The above is a $2.50 clock, sold only during the holidays at this reduced price.

Genuine Diamond Rings in 14 Karat Gold from $4.00.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—Gilmore & McCandless are looking for the man in need of an overcoat. *

—Wood air-tight heating stoves at Clarke & Pearson's, 17 Yates street. *

—Two drunks were dealt with in the ordinary way in the police court this morning.

—P. S. Bartlett Waltham watches in dust-proof stem-wind cases, $10.50, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—The monthly meeting of the members of the Y. W. C. A. will be held in their rooms on Johnson street on Monday, December 23rd, at 3 o'clock.

—Leonard Tait lectured at the Sir William Wallace Society meeting last night on the "British Constitution." After the lecture a programme of songs, pipe music and dancing was acceptably rendered.

—Only three witnesses were examined yesterday at the preliminary examination of Dr. Garrow and Henry Creech for the murder of Mary Ellen Janes, and the case was remanded until Monday. The witnesses were Doctors Frank Hall, John Lang, and Ernest Hall.

—Want!—Of course you want something for Christmas. Something useful; one of those mantel clocks in walnut or oak; eight-day, strike hours and half hours on a cathedral gong, sent home and set running and guaranteed for five years, $4, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—Triumph lodge No. 16, I. O. G. T., held their regular meeting in the Masonic hall, Esquimalt. After initiating two new members a very pleasant evening was spent, parlor games being furnished by the ladies. I. O. G. T. 10 cent concerts are held on Saturday nights in the temperance hall, Pandora street.

—The following Victoria passengers, per steamer City of Puebla, sailed this morning from San Francisco: A. A. McBride and wife, H. McCartney, J. Black, Jas. W. Walk, Robt. A. Black, E. C. Hayward, L. H. Redon, H. Wickster and wife; Mrs. B. B. Cohen and two children, Jas. Lovells, Miss Burling and Capt. A. C. Folger.

—Messrs. Rollinson and Francis, two Esquimalt boat men, appeared before E. Baynes-Reed, J.P., this morning, charged with stealing a bucket from the naval yard. The boatmen found the bucket in the water and returned it when requested to do so, but were afterwards charged with the theft of the same. The case was adjourned till Monday.

—At the regular meeting of Capital L. O. L. No. 1067, on Monday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. M., J. Cummings; D. M., A. McKay; chaplain, J. Wallace; recording secretary, Wm. Wallace; financial secretary, Wm. Lough; treasurer, R. Boyd; D. of C., W. Laurison. The above officers will be installed on Monday, December 23rd, Past District Master Sherritt to take the chair.

—Ald. Williams has given notice that he will move at the next meeting of the council, "that the city clerk be instructed to notify all heads of departments and chairmen of committees that it is the wish of the council to publish the annual report of the Mayor earlier than usal, and that in furtherance of this wish it is the desire of the council to have all reports completed and ready for the printers by the 31st inst, so that the ratepayers may have the fullest information previous to election day.

—At the last regular meeting of L. O. L. No. 1610, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year by P. D. G. M. Sheritt: W. M., Geo. Grimason; D. M., I. Kirk; chaplain, Wm. Furnival; recording secretary, E. G. Young; financial secretary, Geo. Neill; treasurer, Geo. Wilson; D. of C., Jas. McMullen; lecturer, Geo. N. Barker; committee Wm. McMullen, A. McIntosh, Rev. Dr. Campbell, H. Keown, J. T. Braden. On retiring from the chair, Wm. Duncan was presented with a beautiful past master's jewel by the members of the lodge.

—Japanes papers, which arrived by the Empress of India, branded as an invention, the report of the drowning of 48 men from H. M. S. Edgar at Chemulpo. As was stated in the Times, passengers said it was unfortunately too true that the accident had occurred. Confirmation of the passengers' story is contained in the last issue of the Naval and Military Review, which contains the official dispatches from the officers of the Edgar. The men had landed on Rose Island for gunnery drill, and not for pleasure, as was stated in the Oriental papers. On the way back to the ship a storm sprung up and the launch, containing 71 men, was capsized. Forty-eight were drowned.

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THE CAMPAIGN.

Active Work Undertaken in Behalf of the Opposition Candidate.

Preliminary details in connection with campaign organization were arranged at last evening's meeting of the supporters of William Templeman at the central campaign committee room, 42 Broad street. H. A. Munn was appointed chairman of the central committee.

This evening the work of alloting ward committees will be taken up, and all who are prepared to undertake active work on behalf of the opposition candidate are earnestly requested to be present at to-night's meeting.

TO-MORROW'S SERVICES.

When and Where Victorians Will Worship on Sunday.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner of Douglas and Broughton Sts.—The pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, will preach to-morrow, Christmas Sunday. Public worship at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p.m.

Y. M. C. A., 40 Broad street—The Rev. Mr. Betts will address the men's rally at 4 o'clock to-morrow. A cordial invitation is extended to all men to attend.

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West.—Rev. D. McRae, pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Bible class at 2:30 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church.—Morning subject: "Loyalty." Evening subject: "The Mantle of Elijah, or the Men of the Hour." A call to the young men of British Columbia to public service. The pastor, Ralph W. Trotter, will preach.

Victoria West Methodist Church.—Morning preacher, M. J. Morrison. Evening service by the pastor, Rev. J. P. Hicks. Subject: "God as a Teacher." Seats free; all welcome.

St. Saviour's Church.—8 a.m., Holy communion; 11 a.m., morning prayer, Litany. Rev. C. E. Sharp. 3 p.m., Sunday school; 4 p.m., lads' Bible class; 7 p.m., evening prayer. W. D. Barber. Carols after benediction.

Reformed Episcopal Church.—Morning sermon: "Hindrances," by Bishop Cridge. Evening sermon: "Evidence of Experience," by Dr. Wilson. Following evening service an after meeting for men.

Centennial Methodist Church, Gorge Road. J. F. Betts, pastor.—Services 11 a.m., "The best for God;" 7 p.m., "The Law of the Lip." Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p.m. The public is cordially invited to be present at any of the above services.

St. Barnabas Church, corner of Cook street and Caledonia avenue.—Fourth Sunday in Advent. Holy Eucharist, 8 p.m.; Matins, Litany and sermon, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 3 p.m.; evensong, sermon and Litany, 7 p.m. At evensong the priest in charge will give the last of the series of sermons on the "Catholic Liturgies."

Emmanuel Baptist church, pastor, P. H. McEwen, will preach special Christmas sermons and there will be special Christmas music. Morning subject: "A New Thing." Evening subject: "A Significant Name," illustrated in song. Sunday school and pastor's Bible class at 2:30 p.m. Sunday school anniversary on Friday evening.

St. John's church, Douglas street, Rev. P. Jenns, rector. Fourth Sunday in advent, Dec. 22nd, 1895. 11 a.m., matins and litany. Sermon by the rector. 7 p.m., evensong, sermon by the rector. There will be an extra choir practice after evening service.

Metropolitan Methodist church—Both services to-morrow will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. S. Cleaver, M. A. Second discourse on "Elijah, the Prophet of Fire," in the evening. Appropriate music by the large and efficient choir at both services.

James Bay Methodist church—The pastor, T. J. McCrossan, will conduct both services. Morning subject: "Christ the Great Reformer." Evening subject: "Daniel."

Theosophical Society—28 Broad street (Williams Block). Public meeting at 8:15 p.m. Subject: "Man's Destiny."

Templeman's Central Committee Rooms, 42 Broad Street.

—The concert to be given by the I. O. G. T. in Temperance Hall this evening promises to be interesting. The best local talent will assist in songs, readings and recitations. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock. An address will be given by Rev. R. W. Trotter.

—You have heard of Waltham, Elgin, Hampden and other makers of watches. You all have your opinion as to which are best. I have them all from $5, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

—See the prize puzzle in the window at Shore's Hardware, 57 Johnson St. *

—The sale of watches, clocks and jewelry is not postponed, but is always running at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—As perfect beauty is a passport to good society, so, "Odorama" conduces to good appearance.

—Mr. J. A. Dummett, travelling secretary of the Y. M. C. A.'s of the Pacific Northwest, will speak at the men's rally at the Association hall to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Members and supporters of the work are invited to be present.

—Last evening a fraternal visit was paid to Jefferson lodge, I. O. G. T., of Port Townsend, by members of Victoria West lodge. The visitors were received on the wharf by a delegation of the Port Townsend sisters and brothers, who entertained them at their respective homes until evening, when they all met in the Temperance Hall, where a most enjoyable evening was spent. A good programme was rendered after lodge business, and the visitors were also entertained to a first class supper. All expressed themselves well satisfied with the trip. It is probable that a return visit will be paid Victoria West lodge in the near future. The visitors returned by the Sehome this morning.

The house in which George III. was born is still standing in St. James' square, London. It is a small Hanoverian cottage, and has been used for many years as a stable and servants' house.

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New Cleaned Currants. 3 lb for 25c.
New Sultana, Valencia and Cluster Raisins.
New Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel, 20c. lb.
Best Pastry Flour, $1 per Sack; Granulated Sugar, 21 lbs for $1.
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Shredded Codfish to make nice fish cakes for breakfast, at 10 cents per package.

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MAKING BIG GUNS

The System of Construction by Wire-Winding as Adopted by Great Britain.

Details of the Process—The Arming of the New Monster Battleship.

Successful trials of the high powered 12-inch 46-ton wire wound guns, with which the new British battleships of the Majestic class are being armed, has directed special attention to this system of construction for ordnance, writes Commander Charles N. Robinson, of the Royal Navy. The principle of wire construction in connection with ordnance is of very ancient date. In the very earliest days of cannon it was a common custom to strengthen the barrel of a gun by winding rope or hide around it. It does not appear however, that the system obtained any credit until about forty or fifty years ago, when the origin of its reintroduction for the manufacture of modern ordnance is claimed for Dr. Woodridge, of America, as well as for Mr. Brunel, the celebrated English engineer. Mr. Longridge, however, appears to be the first person who originated the present plan and pointed out the mode of winding the wire now in use in England, so as to make it capable of standing the maximum pressure required.

In 1855 this gentleman called attention to the increase in the strength of guns which could be obtained by the use of wire in their construction, but although experiments were made at various times, it was not until 1881 that the question of using wire was seriously taken up in England. Between the years 1875 and 1879 several wire wound guns were made by the Armstrong firm at Elswick, the largest being a ten-inch gun, and the designs were even prepared for manufacturing 110-ton wire wound guns. In 1883 a 10-inch wire wound gun was made at Elswick, and shortly afterward experiments were carried out in France with wire guns. The form of the wire used in that country, however, was circular in section, instead of rectangular, such as is adopted by the government service in England.

Of the early experimental guns, however, little was known outside professional circles until, in 1884, a 9.2 inch gun was made at Woolwich and exhaustively tried in the years 1887 and 1888. This is the piece which is commonly known as the Jubilee gun, because of a series of experiments carried out in the Jubilee year of Her Majesty's reign for the purpose of ascertaining its extreme range. It was fired at an elevation of 45 degrees and the range was then nearly 22,000 yards, or 12 1-5 miles, and at an elevation of 40 degrees the range was little more than 20,000 yards. Two successive shots at this great range fell within thirty yards of each other.

Experiments were continued with great success until 1890, when the employment of the system in making British service guns may be said to have regularly commenced. It has thus been little more than five years in practice, but at the present time many hundreds of guns so constructed are actually in use in Her Majesty's land and sea service. These guns vary in size from the 12-pounded gun of 600 pounds, used by the horse artillery, up to the 12-inch guns, weighing 46 tons each, with which the new battleships are now being armed.

The system of wire winding a gun is exceedingly simple. A tube, or barrel, of steel is surmounted by a layer of steel hoops or, in the case of the 12-inch gun, by one single hoop. Over this hoop steel wire is wound, the number of successive layers of wire varying in different guns from nine to seventy-eight layers in depth. The wire, or ribbon, is rectangular in section, and is wound on the barrel of the piece at an average strain of about forty tons to the square inch. The strain actually varies with each successive layer, being greatest with the first layer and least with the last layer. To wind the wire the gun is put into an ordinary lathe, the wire having previously been wound on a very large drum. This drum is passed over an elevated shaft, working automatically with the lathe and controlled by a brake. One end of the wire is secured to the gun by being passed under a ring of metal and screwed down. The lathe then being turned around, the wire is wound off the drum on the gun. It is to be noted that the wire is not wound directly on the barrel, or inner tube, but on the hooping which covers it, although in the case of the 12-inch gun this hooping takes the shape of a tube as long as the bore of the gun itself. The end of the wire is secured in the same way as at the beginning, with a ring of metal, and these rings are afterwards turned down to the level of the last layer of wire.

On each of the 12-inch guns of the Majestic class there is wound no less than one hundred and two miles of wire, the dimensions of the wire being .06 by .25 of an inch. When the winding is completed a layer of hoops is shrunk on, so that externally there is no difference in appearance between the wire gun and an ordinary gun. There is no other gun in which the wire principle has been carried to such an extent as in the new 12-inch gun, on which the wire is wound from one end to the other. In the lighter guns it is wound only over the chamber and to a point about half way down the bore to support the magazine pressures.

There are several processes through which the material has to pass in the construction of a modern gun, prior to the wire winding. First the steel is cast into an ingot or bar, which is cut into shape and bored and then forged. The forging rough bored and turned, and test pieces are taken from it. It is then annealed, hardened and again annealed. These operations are carried out not only on the barrel, but on each hoop. It is on the tubes and hopps after this treatment that the wire is wound. After the wire has been wound upon the hoops the outer jacket is shrunk on. It is then turned outside and rifled, and the final operation includes the fine boring of the chamber, and the fitting of the breach mechanism. The boring is done by a steel cylinder, with a ring of sharp blades on its end, which, as the cylinders remove, gouges out the ring holes along the axis of the ingot. The hardening is carried out by heating the tube and then plunging it into a bath of oil or water. At the Woolwich arsenal, the government factory in England, oil is invariably used for hardening, but in one at least of the private establishments, the proprietors have a belief that nothing equals cold water. The annealing process consits of again heating the forging to a temperature of, say, 0 degrees Fahrenheit, and allowing it to cool down gradually in the furnace.

The time occupied in the process of manufacturing a 12-inch gun has recently been considerably lessened. Before the system of wire winding became the custom the construction of a heavy calibre gun occupied from fourteen to sixteen months, but the 12-inch guns for the new battle ships have been made on an average in less than eleven months, and ten and a half months are now looked upon as the ordinary time for the manufacture of one of these enormous pieces or ordnance. Of this period at least four or five months are taken up in the preliminary orperations of turning, annealing and testing the forging.

The wire-winding process in the case of a 12-inch gun will take from six weeks to two months, and the process of rifling nearly as long. This last named operation is one which it is impossible to hurry, as only one man can be employed in the delicate work, for each groove in the rifling has to be done separately, and there are forty-eight grooves to be cut.

The advantage claimed for the wire system, theoretically, is that, by judiciously regulating the tension at which the various layers are wound, it is possible to make the whole of the material of the gun take up its proper share of the strain at the moment of firing, when the pressures in the bore are at a maximum. Practically, it gives a great transverse strength, so that a burst seems almost impossible when it is used and the tension to which the wire is subjected during its acceptance trials and at the time it is wound on the gun insures every portion of the material used in this form being thoroughly tested, so that there is no fear of hidden flaws.

The only disadvantage of wire is that it gives neither longitudinal nor girder strength of the gun, but this is of no serious importance, as there is no difficulty in providing strength to the amount required in the inner tube and in the jacket and other parts covering the wire, so that the wire guns of the present day have as much longitudinal and girder strength as the guns of a few years ago, in the manufacture of which hoops were only used, and perhaps more.

Longitudinal strength is the strength which is necessary to resist the stresses brought upon the tube in opposite directions by the pressure of the powder gases to the rear, and the friction of the projectile and the gases as they pass along the bore, which tend to break the gun in two. Girder strength is that which is necessary in the case of very long guns to prevent bending by their own weight, when only partially supported, as in the mountings for the heavy guns on board some of the British battle ships. A gun might be amply strong enough to resist the stresss ina longitudinal direction and yet be deficient in girder strength, which is obtained by judiciously adjusting the weight of the different hoops or tubes, used in its construction, and also taking care that the connections between these hoops are as rigid as it is possible to make them.

It has been contended that a shot striking a wire wound gun might burst the covering jacket and cut several turns of wire. It has, however, been proved in practice that wire is not susceptible to damage as might be supposed. It has been found that when it breaks during the winding it unwinds itself very little, the friction between the parts being so great. Moreover, great care is taken to secure the end of the wire after a very few turns, so that the danger which might arise if several of the layers were cut is much reduced, since, although the outer layer might be damaged, the tension of those underneath would not be affected.

The reason for the adoption of the wire wound system lies, no doubt, chiefly in the introduction of cordite—smokeless powder charges—and also in the belief that the time must soon arive when shells charged with heavy explosives will be fired from heavy ordnance. The enormous transverse strength given by wire is a property which, under these circumstances, might be of very great value.

In addition to those manufactured at Woolwich arsenal guns for the British naval service are supplied by the firms of Whitworth, Armstrong and Vickers. These firms also supply forgings, and, in addition, forgings are obtained from the firms of Cammell, Brown and Spencer.

HALE AND HEARTY AT 70

WHAT "FATHER" TOULL THINKS OF A POPULAR REMEDY.

Suffered for Twenty Years From Heart Troubles—His Doctor Said He Might Drop Dead at Any Moment—Tells How He Overcame the Trouble.

From the Ingersoll Chronicle.

That a sound mind in a sound body is one of the best and greatest gifts of a kind Providence no one will deny. Mankind in all ages have sought to obtain the elixir of life, have hunted for some means of prolonging health, vigor and vitality—have in fact hoped that they might find

"Some blithe wine
Or bright elixir peerless they could drink
And so become immortal."

But while man can hardly hope to attain that coveted prize this side of the eternal world, yet it is evident to all who give the subject any consideration, that modern science, skill and education in the treatment of the ills that flesh is heir to, have worked wonders in restoring the human body to its original "form divine," and in relieving many sufferers from untold misery, bringing them back to health and happiness, and give them a feeling that life is indeed worth living. A case in point, in our own town, having reached the ears of a reporter of the Chronicle the scribe determined to satisfy his curiosity by calling on the party who had had such a happy experience and investigate for himself. He called at the boot and shoe shop of Mr.

"Busily at Work."

John Toull, King street west, and on entering the building the reporter found "Father Toull," as he is familiarly known in town, busily at work on a pair of shoes for one of his many customers, at the same time humming over to himself the tune of a cherished hymn, for by the way, in his younger days, Mr. Toull was considered a good local preacher among the Methodists of this section and frequently filled the pulpits of some of our local churches in the pastor's absence, and he still loves to sing, preach or expostulate on some scripture theme or favorite hymn. The reporter was cordially received, and on making known his business, the old man's countenance brightened and his eyes sparkled with delight. It was interesting to note the fervency with which he volunteered, as he said for the sake of humanity, to tell what he could of his case, and we will let it be told in his own words. He said:—For twenty years I was subject to heart trouble and could get no relief although I had tried almost everything that kind friends recommended to me. My family physician would sometimes give me some medicine that would help me for a short time, but without permanent benefit. He told me I might drop dead at any moment, and I tell you I expected to do so on many occasions. I had heard of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills when they first came out but I had used so many remedies that I just about lost faith in everything of that kind, and had become resigned to my fate. However, I came in contact with so many that had used Pink Pills, and who assured me that they had been benefited by their use, that at last I decided to give them a trial also, and several years ago I commenced taking them. I continued their use until I had taken eight boxes, and I am now happy to say that I have never had a symptom of the disease since, and I am convinced that by the blessing of God, Pink Pills cured me. I might also say that last fall I was attacked with rheumatism, which became so bad that I could scarcely walk from my work to the house, and for a long time I could not get out to church. I tried a number of things recommended to me, but received no good from their use, so I said to myself one day, Pink Pills did me so much good before for my heart trouble, I'll try them again, so I gave them another fair trial, with the result that the rheumatism has all gone out of my bones, and I have not been troubled a bit with it since. Everyone, said the old man, as he waxed warm at the thought of his happy experience, who knows old Father Toull, knows that what he tells is the truth." After thanking Mr. Toull for his kindness and courtesy the reporter left the shop with the same opinion as to the truth of his statements, and impressed with the belief that from his rugged, hearty appearance and cheerful disposition, the old gentleman is still good for many years of a healthful, contented life.

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HEAD

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ACHE

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AUCTION SALES.

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MONDAY, DEC. 23, 11 A.M.

I will sell at my rooms, 22 Yates street, a quantity of handsome Dessert and Oyster Plates, Salad Bowls, Cups and Saucers, Custard Mugs, Biscuit Jars, Tea Pots, Sugar Bowls, Milk Jugs, Butter Dishes, Invalids' Feeders, Match Stands, Ash Trays, Toast Racks, Comforts, Candle Sticks, etc., etc.

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TUESDAY, DEC. 24, 2 P.M.

Intestate Estate Sale of Valuable Jewelry AND Consignment of Australian Furs.

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I have been instructed by Wm. Monteith, Esq., Official Administrator of Intestate Estates, to sell at my salerooms, 22 Yates street.

AT 2 P.M.,

One handsome Brazilian diamond bracelet, 1 pair solitaire diamond earring, 1 beautiful ruby and diamond ring, 1 handsome diamond brooch, 1 diamond and sapphire ring, 1 fine lady's gold watch in handsome case, and several other articles of jewelry.

AT 2:30 P.M.,

AUSTRALIAN FURS, consisting of buggy, carriage and bed robes, mats, foot warmers, muffs, ladies' hand bags, satchels, slippers, etc. The above are manufactured from kangaroo, bear, wallaby, opossum and platypus skins. They are handsome furs and very durable. Inspection of all the above goods is invited.

Terms cash.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VERNON.

Vernon News.

The Armstrong flour mill is rapidly nearing completion and Contractor Crowell expects to have the building finished by the end of the week. The roof was shingled last Saturday.

Mr. F. R. Latimer, C. E., who recently returned from a trip to Camp Hewitt, where he and his partners have completed their assessment work on the Farmer mineral claim, is more than ever convinced that a big thing is in sight in that camp, where in all the claims that are being developed the rock continues to increase in value, and gives evidence of justifying all the predictions that have been made regarding the rich nature of the mineral deposits of that district.

A mining deal which in magnitude is probably entitled to rank highest among many that have yet been consummated in the province has been recently successfully carried through by Messrs. F. W. Thompson, of Fairview, and S. S. Fowler, of Chicago. These gentlemen, in company with Messrs. Henry White, the energetic and old time miner who has brought White's camp, in the Boundary creek district, into prominence, and Mr. Austin Hammer, another well known mining man of the Southern Okanagan, are at present staying at the Kalemalka hotel, awaiting the conclusion of the deal. The purchasing parties, who have secured in all fourteen claims in the famous copper camp and White's camp, are beyond any question the strongest financial company that has yet become interested in mining properties in this district, and their ability to carry through any enterprise in which they may become engaged is beyond dispute. Along with Messrs. White and Hammer is Mr. John Moran, a co-owner in some of the properties disposed of, who now reaps the reward of his tenacity of purpose and perseverance under trying difficulties. This deal will reach into big figures—between two and three hundred thousand dollars, and though we at present cannot get at all the details of the purchase, sufficient is current to warrant us in saying that nothing approaching in importance to it has yet taken place in this district, and by it the Okanagan valley appears to be on the verge of an era of prosperity that will exceed the expectations of the most sanguine.

MIDWAY.

Midway Advance.

The snow having disappeared from the valley, the bright new cutters that were a few days ago the joy and pleasure of those using them, are now again put away for a season of rest.

Articles of incorporation of the Old Ironsides Mining Company were signed yesterday. The company is formed for the purpose of developing and working the Old Ironsides mine, Boundary creek, and smelting or milling the ores, building tramways, etc. The incorporators are S. A. Rigg, C. W. Ritchie, Jay P. Graves, and H. P. Palmerston, of Spokane, and Robert E. Strahorn, of Boston. The company is capitalized at $1,000,000 in shares of $1 each.

A few days ago some of the principal Boundary creek property owners left Midway in company with Messrs. Fowler and Thompson, who have spirited them away to Vernon, at which place probably by this time one of the most important mining deals in the history of British Columbia has taken place.

It is reported that Messrs. Farrell & Midgeon intend shipping five tons of ore from the Stemwinder to make a test of the ore. Samples that have been assayed have always given very satisfactory results, which would be pleasing to know were verified by a smelter test.

Samples of ore from Mr. Graham's Ingrim mountain claim are on exhibition in Mr. McNicol's store here, which are well worth looking at to any one who understands the different forms in which copper is found in ores. Recently from the 45 foot tunnel a vein almost a foot and a half wide was struck of what is known as copper glance, which assays some 75 or 80 per cent. copper and from $10 to $15 in gold. As soon as transportation facilities are an assured fact Mr Graham will put a large force of men to work on these propositions and thoroughly develop them.

REVELSTOKE.

Kootenay Mail.

Ire has been runnig quite freely in the river for a few days, and if the weather should continue cold, the boats may have trouble in making their trips on regular time.

The narrow gauge cars for transporting ore over the Trail and Rossland tramway arrived from Lethbridge this week, and will be transferred by steamer to their destination. Two locomotives are expected for the same service.

A premature explosion on the rock section of the Arrow Lake branch extenlast Tuesday, resulted in the death to one man and serious injury to three others. The accident occurred on the section for which John Wilson, a Swede, is the sub-contractor, and he had some twenty-seven men at work for him. Wilson says that the hole, which was about eighteen feet deep, had been sprung and partly recharged when it became blocked about three feet from the bottom by stone and dirt falling into it. A bucket of water was poured into it to free the hole from the obstruction and he and a man named W. Johnston, also a Swede were using a drill when the explosion occurred. Wilson ran up the hill and was uninjured, while the mass of rock fell into the cut below, in which the other men were working, and it is a matter of surprise how so many of them escaped alive. No trae of Johnston ould be found, though the rock in the cut was all removed Wednesday with this object in view and it is supposed that he was blown into the river. Of the three men injured in the cut two were Italians and one a Scotchman.

You Can Believe

The testimonials published in behalf of Hood's Sarsaparilla. They are written by honest people who have actually found in their own experience that Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, creates an appetite, strengthens the system and absolutely and permanently cures all diseases caused by impure or deficient blood.

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—Ladies' companions and scissor cases at Fox's.

THE GERMAN MATCH INDUSTRY.

Elaborate Machinery for the Manufacture of the Small Articles.

The London Chamber of Commerce Journal says: "The manufacture of matches in Germany, which has risen to be an industry of great importance, employs pine, poplar, aspen, linden and birch woods. Of these woods aspen has proved itself indispensable in the manufacture of matches by reason of its natural qualities and the ease with which it can be worked up. The basis of a match, as is well known, is conveyed to the wood from the igniting composition by sulphur, as in the case of lucifers into which the splints are dipped. In the case of some matches the sulphur is substituted by paraffin. The sulphur, where this is used, remains on the outside of the wood and dries at once. The paraffin, however, must penetrate into the wood partly because the matches would otherwise stick to each other, but principally because the paraffin becomes fluid again at even low degrees of heat, and would penetrate the igniting composition and render it useless. For safety matches, therefore, a wood is required which has light and spongy pores, as found only in the aspen, whose bright white color further gives it an agreeable appearance. Poplar has a gray color and is brittle; birchwood becomes yellow and is seldom obtainable in stout logs. These woods are also slow in combustion. Pine and fir woods take up little paraffin owing to the resin they contain. The United States consul at Annaberg says that in order to keep the pores as open as possible, and to work up the wood to the greatest advantage, the aspen splint is produced by flaking. This flaking is done by causing a knife to revolve round a log which rotates on its own axis. The wood is divided into ribbons of the thickness and width of a match; these ribbons are laid evenly one above the other and cut in to square splints. In consequence of the uniformity of the layers aspen wood produces perfectly homogeneous ribbons or splints. This is not the case when other woods are flaked. The absence of all grain further enables aspen wood to be flaked into thin shavings which are worked by other machines into the familiar match boxes. Attempts have been made to flake fir and pine woods as substitutes for aspen, but it is not known that any results of importance have been obtained. Match manufacturers require that the aspen wood should be free from rotten pith and as far as possible free from knots—free from pith, otherwise the wood cannot be fixed in the flaking machine; free from knots, because the wood round the knots is decayed. The aspen is available for match making as soon as the trunk has a diameter of eight inches. The demand is greatest for trunks with a diameter of from ten to twenty inches. To attain this size a period of from twenty-five to sixty years is necessary, according to the nature of the soil, position, etc. Trunks from twenty to twenty-five years old are preferred to younger growths for the reason that the method of manufacture produces the same amount of waste whether the trunks be large or small. The match factories which use aspen wood are mostly situated in Silesia, Pomerania, Schleswig Holstein, Bavaria, Rhine Provinces, Alsace-Lorraine, Rhine Palatinate and the Duchy of Anhalt. These factories use on the whole 4,000,000 to 5,500,000 cubic feet of aspen wood, of which about 350,000 cubic feet are imported from Russia. The Siberian factories, mostly through dealers, procure their wood from upper Silesia, Poland, Galicia and Hungary. To procure wood from the districts of Konigsberg and Gumbinnen is unprofitable, because the freight is considerably higher than from Cracow or the Tatra. For the factories in Pomerania the principal sources of supply are Riga, Koonolibau, Windau and St. Petersburg, where dealers carry on a large trade. The wood is felled in the forest, brought down to the sea, and shipped when water communication is open. It is sold in the form of logs with both ends cut smooth. The ports through which aspen wood is imported are Konigsberg, Danzig, Kolberg, Rugenwalde, Flensburg, Lubeck, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Stettin and Bremen. The prices for Russian wood vary according as the wood comes, rafted or unrafted, to the market. The factories in Anhalt use native wood from the neighboring forests, and Russian wood which comes via Stettin. In Alsace-Lorraine the wood is taken from native forests, but it is no longer very thick, and cannot be flaked, but must be planed. The stocks have been freely felled in the last ten or fifteen years, and no care has been taken to replace them."

One Honest Man.

Dear Editor:—Please inform your readers, that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest home cure, by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility, sexual weakness, night losses and weak shrunken parts. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp:—Mr. Edward Lambert. P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont.

"I want a quarter from you for that starving family on Bottle alley."

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Ministers, Lawyers, Teachers, and others whose occupation gives but little exercise, should use Carter's Little Liver Pills for torpid liver and biliousness. One in a dose. Try them.

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When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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THE PLAGUES OF HISTORY.

Early Visitations of Europe by the Black Plague.

In addition to periods in disease or epidemics which are completed within the day, the week, or the season of the year, slow changes seem to have been in progress since the dawn of life. The facts relating to the secular evolutions of diseases, says Dr. J. Netten Radcliffe, are amongst the most interesting, if the most lugubrious in the history of the human race. Their great complexity and obscurity have interposed a barrier to the construction of a general doctrine regarding their occurrence, but a few of the salient indications of secular periods of morbid evolution may be seen in this list, chiefly according to Charles Anglada;—(a) The great pestilence of the fifth century, B. C., of which the so-called "plague of Athens" was an incident. (b) The pestilences, believed to be of the same nature, of the second and third centuries of the Christian era. After the third century this form of pestilence disappeared. (c) The explosion of bubonic (inguinal) plague of the sixth century, after Christ, when, for the first time in history, this formidable disease assumed the character of a great epidemic. Breaking out in Justinian's reign (A. D. 542), the disease quickly occupied the whole of the known earth, and began a tragic course which has continued even to our own time. For 1,200 years it was pre-eminent among pestilential maladies. In the sixteenth century when quarantine was established, sixty-one outbreaks were recorded in Europe; in the seventeenth century, 55; in the eighteenth, 28; in the first half of the nineteenth 15. In 1844 it apparently became extinct. But about ten years afterward it showed itself in the Levant, and has since ocurred in various parts of Asia and North Africa, and even in Europe. In this disease we seem to have records of one complete secular evolution of plague, and to be witnessing another's beginning. The sixth century also probably gave birth to small-pox, measles and scarletina, as great epidemics. (d) The black death of the fourteenth century, a disease held to differ essentially from the bubonic plague, and long extinct. Indeed the Pali fever of India is regarded as the dregs. (f) The sweating sickness of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, which made five visitations between 1485 and 1551. (g)) The cholera pestilence of the present century. (h) The great development of fatal diarrohea, especially in infants, in this country. (i) The occasional recent extension of yellow fever into Europe. (j) The great development in this half century, of diphtheria, which had well-nigh been forgotten.

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A Mother's Beautiful Child

Dragged Nearly to Death's Door by Severe Nervous Disease—Suffered Extreme Pain in the Head—Doctors Could Do Nothing—South American Nervine Called in at the Eleventh Hour and Restores to Health Little Annie Joy, of West Toronto Junction—The Great Remedy is Reducing the Death Rate of All Canadian Cities.

MISS ANNIE JOY, WEST TORONTO JUNCTION.

A bright little lad, or golden-haired girl, is the delight of your home. Whether you revel in riches, or know something of the privations of poverty, that child is all the world to you. It is no wonder that mother and father become anxious when sickness overtakes the little one.

The remedy, fathers and mothers, is near by. South American Nervine has been the means of giving back the bloom of youth to thousands of suffering little ones. It is not a medicine that buoys up the parents' hopes, only to have them in a short time dashed down again lower than ever. Whether with child or adult, it promptly gets at the seat of all disease, which is the nerve centres. From this fact it is peculiarly efficacious in the treatment of nervous diseases of man, woman or child.

A recent case is that as told by Mrs. M. A. Joy, of West Toronto Junction, whose little daughter Annie, aged 15 years, had been a sufferer from severe nervous depression for about two years. As with all mothers, no trouble and expense was spared in the effort to bring relief to the child. The little one suffered extreme pains in the head, so distressing at times as to render her completely helpless, sapping all her strength. The best skill of the most skilled physicians was called into request, but little Annie steadily grew worse. Becoming more hopeless and discouraged as the weeks went by, Mrs. Joy decided on trying South American Nervine as almost a last resort. Employing her own words she said: "I determined to give it a trial, although I felt it was useless."

To-day it is all happiness around that home, for before one bottle of the medicine had been taken, the mother tells us Annie commenced to show decided signs of improvement. The child has taken three bottles and has practically regained her natural health and vigor. There is nothing surprising in the fact that Mrs. Joy cannot speak too highly of South American Nervine.

Much was at stake, but this wonderful discovery proved equal to the emergency, and so it does in every case. Thousands of letters on file from well-known citizens prove this. For nervous diseases of young or old, from whatever cause, it is an absolutely infallible cure.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Land Registry Act.

Part (30 acres) of Section 14, Range VI., East, and of Section 14, Range 5, East, South Saanich District.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of Richard James Smith to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 26th June, 1891, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate.

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON, Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, November 27th, 1895.

Notice.

All persons are hereby warned against dealing in any way with the lay yielding "Snohomish Boy," now supposed to be in the hands of Frank Adams.

TAM ELWELL.

Victoria, Dec. 10th, 1895. de10-1w

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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DAY'S SHIPPING NEWS

Captain and Crew of the Prince Regent Were All Down With Illness.

Bark Silverhow to Come Here to Take on a Cargo of Salmon and Oil.

After waiting for nearly a week for the stormy weather to subside, the schooner Katherine left this afternoon for the Japanese coast. The tug T. W. Carter towed her into the Straits. The captain of the Borealis intended to go this afternoon, but no tug was available to tow her out. A number of schooners are ready for sea and will leave during the next few days.

The bark Prince Albert, which arrived at Vancouver recently after a voyage of 139 days from Rio Janiero, had a rough time of it. Every member of the crew from the captain down suffered, more or less, from illness throughout the entire trip.

Chas. Bush & Co., of Vernon, have purchased the little steamer Angerona from J. Hunter. The Angerona became notorious afew years ago for her smuggling operations. She will now be used as a trading boat on the Okanagan river.

The steamer Mary E. Perley, against which a number of libel suits were pending, including one resulting from a collision with the City of Kingston, was sold at Seattle for $985. The claims totalled $9000.

The steamer Edith will take the Sehome's place on the Victoria-Seattle route on Monday morning. The Edith has just been thoroughly renovated, and is a much more comfortable boat for winter travel than the Sehome.

The steamer Maude left for the West Coast last night with a number of passengers on board and considerable freight, among which was some machinery for the Alberni paper mills.

No alarm is felt in shipping circles for the safety of the tug Discovery, which left Port Angeles for Vancouver on Wednesday last. The Discovery has probably gone to Nanaimo for coal.

Bark Prince Victor was towed to sea to-day by the tug Active. She has 803,279 feet of lumber from Hastings mill for Valparaiso.

Collier San Mateo left Comox this morning for San Francisco. She will pass out this evening.

Bark Silverhow will be here next week to load 30,000 cases of salmon and some oil for Great Britain.

The Islander left Vancouver on time to-day, connecting with the Pacific express.

THE PUBLIC WANTS LIES.

So Harry Hayward, the Prince of Liars Accommodated Them.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 21.—The impression is growing that Harry Hayward, the prince of liars, left a masterpiece of falsehood to follow him after death in his remarkable ante-mortem statement. Not only are there many evidences to show that he told many sensational tales simply from a desire to pose as a great criminal, and give his "Cousin Goodsell" a good thing, but now it transpires that he, to at least three persons, characterized the statement as a pack of lies. W. W. Hayward, his father, publishes a statement in which he declares that Harry told his parents before confessing that they need not worry about what he said. It was to be a tissue of lies construed to meet the demand for sensationalism. He assured them he had told them and them alone the whole truth. After making his statement he told his attorney that John Day Smith had taken certain well known facts and woven around them plenty of lies. "The public wants lies," said he, "and I will give them lies."

WHAT A DAY BRINGS FORTH.

Assassination at Lexington, Ky.—Trolley Car Collision, Etc.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 21.—One of the most terrible assassinations ever known in Kentuckey was the murder of Anna Belle Steinberger, by her cousin, Booker Steinberger, at her home in the southern part of Barren county Wednesday night. The shot was fired through the window, tearing a large hole through the girl's head and scattering her brains over the floor. She was reading at the time and still held the book in her hand when the other members of the family rushed into the room and found her dead. Suspicion at once pointed to her cousin, Booker Steinberger, and a deputy visited his home this morning and finding evidence of his guilt, placed him under arrest. He was lodged in jail at Glasgow. Excitement runs high and he will doubtless be lynched before night. In his pocket was found a letter the contents of which created a sensation in the neighborhood. It was from Miss Anna Belle and charged him with having taken advantage of her last week. It requested him to marry her at once and save her honor. The Steinberger families are prominent, and the affair has caused a tremendous sensation.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—A special to the Inter-Ocean from Paterson, N. J., says. One man was almost instantly killed and ten seriously injured, one of them fatally, in a collision that occured yesterday on the Hoboken, Paterson & Passaic trolley line near Clifton, a short distance from here. The man killed was Thomas Murray, of this city. The injured are: William Oldfield, motorman; George Johnson, conductor; James Warner, conductor; Edward McVett, Mrs. Rose Amshoff, Fred Zecker, two unknown men and one unknown woman. Murray, who was killed, was a motorman on one of the cars. He was caught between the two cars so tightly that he had to be cut out, as part of the vestibule rail had penetrated his abdomen. Oldfield, the other mororman, saved his life by jumping. According to his story the accident was due partly to the thick fog and partly to the fact that the cars were not running on schedule time.

St. Louis, Dec. 21.—A few minutes after midnight last night Charles Moser, whose divorced wife was found dead in the street, was captured in the rear of his mother's house. He admits the murder and says the act was impelled by jealousy.

SMALL DEBTS ACT.

The Jurisdiction of Judge Harrison is Brought Into Question.

A Nanaimo dispatch to the Colonist this morning states that Judge (more called "Mr. Justice") Harrison, of the Nanaimo county court, in a prohibition action, has reversed Mr. Justice Crease's decision, that the small debts act is ultra vires of the British Columbia legislature, and has declared the act ultra vires.

The B. C. Gazette of Nov. 26, 1891, under 1891, Cap. 8, has these words: "The judge of every county court shall have in all actions brought in his county," the same powers as a supreme court judge sitting in chambers—"except"—on thirteen important subjects, among which exceptions comes "No. 10, applications in mandamus."

It is held that according to this Judge Harrison's decision in this prohibition action is without jurisdiction and a nullity.

PROTECTING THE AMERICANS.

Citizens of the United States to Be Removed from Marash.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 21.—In accordance with the advice of Minister Terrell, the administration have determined to remove American citizens from the disaffected districts of Marash, in Asia Minor. Orders to the commander-in-chief of the European squadron, to effect the removal of Americans now at Marash, were sent last evening to Rear-Admiral Selfridge by cable. He will combine the fleet at Alexandretta, the nearest point to Marash, and will direct the American missionaries and other American citizens in Marash to come on board his vessels. In case it should be necessary to give them protection during the journey from Marash to Alexandretta, he has been authorized to land a force of soldiers and marines.

CHEMAINUS.

(From our own correspondent.)

Chemainus, Dec. 21.—The temperance meeting held here the first of the week was not well attended on account of the deep snow. There were five speakers, all of whom spoke eloquently on the evils of intemperance and the blessedness of the temperance cause. Some signed the pledge.

The christening of the son of Horace Davie took place on Tuesday evening. Nearly fifty guests were present. After the ceremony dancing was the order of the night and part of the next day.

Mrs. H. E. Donald, who has been visitin hger parents in England, returned home yesterday morning. Mrs. Roberts, of Kuper Island, went as far as Vancouver to meet her. Mr. and Mrs. Bridgman, of Victoria, who were fellow passengers, missed their boat at Vancouver and came via Nanaimo, passing through here yesterday morning.

H. E. Donald is suffering from a scalded foot, but expects to be around again shortly. W. Rudyerd is looking after his ranch during his illness.

Although the wind blew a gale yesterday afternoon, no damage was done here, excepting to S. G. Lewis' store windows, which from their propped up appearance look as if they had almost got out of their frames.

E. J. Palmer and wife returned from Victoria yesterday.

Lewis G. Hill went to Nanaimo to-day.

Percy Roberts took some views of the giant waves which dashed upon our shore during the gale. They are quite good for an amateur.

Do not dispair of curing your sick headache when you can easily obtain Carter's Little Liver Pills. They will effect a prompt and permanent cure. Their action is mild and natural.

Americus.

Minneapolis, Dec. 21.—The second floor of the Palace Clothing Company's big store, on Nicollet avenue, collapsed to-day. Gale Walters, a clerk, is dead, and others may be in the ruins.

Boston, Dec. 21.—The stock market prices this morning opened from five to eight points lower than yesterday. A. H. Price & Co., bankers and brokers, have suspended.

"I am cured since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla," is what thousands are saying. It gives renewed vitality and vigor.

For the Holidays.

A choice line of new and fashionable neckwear just received from New York; Bows, Knots, Four-in-Hands and the new De Joinville scarf. W. N. Carmichael, Gentlemen's Furnisher, Yates Street.

—The sweet little "Nellie Bly" lamps are sure to sell quickly; they are pretty cheap and good. Weiler Bros.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

CHESS.

After two weeks' play the following is the result of the Victoria Chess Club tournament:

	Won.	Lost.
C. Schwengers	6	0
B. Williams	7	1
B. Schwengers	5	1
C. E. Clarke	4	1
Captain Michell	3	2
R. H. Johnston	3½	2½
P. Wollaston	2	2
C. D. Ayton	2	3
T. Lawrie	1	3
P. T. Johnston	1½	6½
P. Goepel	0	1
J. Earsman	0	2
W. Seowcroft	0	2
H. Kemp	0	8
J. S. Floyd	0	0
B. Goward	0	0

THE TARIFF.

Liberal tariff platform as adopted at the Ottawa convention:—

"That the customs tariff of the Dominion should be based, not as it is now, upon the protective principle, but upon the requirements of the public service;

"That the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle, and used, as it has been by the government as a corrupting agency wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations;

"It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property;

"It has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of a few;

"It has checked immigration;

"It has caused a great loss of population;

"It has impeded commerce;

"It has discriminated against Great Britain;

"In these and many other ways it has occasioned great public and private injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity as long as the present tariff system remains in force.

"That the highest interests of Canada demand a removal of this obstacle to our country's progress, by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade, and hasten the return of prosperity to our people.

"That to that end the tariff should be reduced to the needs of the honest, economical and efficient government.

"That it should be so adjusted as to make free, or to bear as lightly as possible upon the necessaries of life, and should be so arranged as to promote freer trade with the whole world, more particularly with Great Britain and the United States.

"We believe that the results of the protective system have grievously disappointed thousands of people who honestly supported it, and that the country, in the light of experience, is now prepared to declare for a sound fiscal policy.

"The issue between the two political parties on this question is now clearly defined.

"The government themselves admit the failure of their fiscal policy, and now profess their willingness to make some changes, but they say that such changes must be based upon the principle of protection.

"We denounce the principle of protection as radically unsound and unjust to the masses of the people, and we declare our conviction that any tariff changes based on that principle must fail to afford any substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors.

"This issue we unhesitatingly accept, and upon it we admit with the fullest confidence the verdict of the electors of Canada."

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PERSONAL.

A. J. W. Bridgman and wife returned from Europe yesterday.

J. A. Dummett, of Portland, is a guest at the New England.

A. S. Potts and wife returned last evening from a visit to Vancouver.

D. Williams and D. M. Hunter, of Union, are registered at the Oriental.

A. W. Semple and wife, Mrs. R. Semple and Miss Semple returned this morning from a visit to the Sound.

James Haggart, of Wellington, came down on the noon train to-day. He is registered at the Oriental.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Rosaie from the Sound.—H Carmichael, J A Hall, J A Dummitt, C W Harris, Wm Battson Wm Buck, F. V. Moffat.

Passengers per Sehome from Puget Sound—R. B. Finch, T. N. Knapp, F. Rowland, J. A. Mitchell, O. Olson, F. Larsen, T. Kaun, W. Matzer, W. A. Stephens, Mrs. A. Abbott, Mrs. Heleger, Miss Rowntill, G. A. Wilmont, T. T. Godfrey, C. McArthur, Miss Good, eorge Heller, R. Greenwood, A. W. Semple, Mrs. A. R. Blake, Mrs. R. Semple, Mrs. A. Semple, Miss Semple, T. Stephenson, Mrs. Cherry, D. Firman, C. Waller, F. Williams, G. Tokell, W. Firman, Miss Young.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound.—D H Ross, Lenz & Leiser, Langley & Co., G E Munroe, E J Saunders & Co, Blakie & McKinnon, L White & Co, John Earsman & Co, Stewart & Co, G C Lombard.

Toys Half Price

At Russell's Wonderful Bargain Store opposite the Iron Church, Douglas stret.

—The cantata, "Night of Glory," or "Birth of Christ," will be rendered by the children of the Centennial Methodist Sunday school in the church on Gorge road, under the direction of Mr. R. Spice, on Thursday evening, December, 26th, at 8 o'clock, in connection with the Christmas tree entertainment.

—Charles Johnson, who was taken to the lock-up on Tuesday for safe keeping, is now dangerously ill.

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